

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The Civil War brought about the need for a transcontinental railroad and in 1952 the ex-railroad lawyer, President Abraham Lincoln, signed the Pacific Railroad Act which designated two newly chartered railroads this monumental task; and,

WHEREAS, The impact of the railroads on American life was immediate and immeasurable. Towns sprang up along the lines which were settled by men who worked the tracks, cleared land, planted crops, and set up all manner of trade to serve the settlers; and,

WHEREAS, Although railroads brought grief and undue hardship to some, a great love affair evolved between the American people and the "Iron Horse". More than any other single invention the railroad's history and the country's history grew together hand-in-hand, their history intertwined as they both progressed; and,

WHEREAS, Many of the famous railroads have now fallen by the wayside, through bankruptcy or merger, and their color and glamour have not been preserved, pictures, stories and models are all that remain to tell the story of the railroad; and,

WHEREAS, The Iron Trails West Railroad Museum, Inc. is establishing a permanent facility to house a collection of railroad artifacts and scale models which will give an almost complete history and progress of American railroad expansion in the western half of our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of November, 1984, as

IRON TRAILS WEST RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC. MONTH

in South Dakota, and I congratulate the Museum and its Board of Directors on their fine and worthwhile efforts.



ATTEST:

Alice Funder
ALICE FUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Ninth Day of November, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Four

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ORIGINAL RECORD AND WAS MICROFILMED IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF SOUTH DAKOTA COMPILLED LAW 1-27-4. IT IS FURTHER CERTIFIED THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS USED FOR MICROFILMING OF THE ABOVE RECORDS WAS IN A MANNER AND ON MICROFILM WHICH MEET THE RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS FOR PERMANENT MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTIONS. REDUCTION 25:1 ROLL NO. 4 DATE MICROFILMED November 6, 1985 FILED IN 100-100000-100000 CAMERA OPERATOR